



# BASEBALL 2003

## Presidents' Athletic Conference

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## 2003 PAC BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS - April 24-26, 2003 Hosted by Waynesburg College - Madison Field - Waynesburg, Pa.

### FINAL 2003 PAC BASEBALL STANDINGS

- 1st place - Thiel College
- 2nd place - Waynesburg College
- 3rd place - Westminster College
- 4th place - Bethany College
- 5th place - Grove City College
- 6th place - Washington & Jefferson College

*Game #1 - Waynesburg, PA - April 24, 2003 - noon*

#### **#2 Waynesburg 17, #4 Bethany 9**

The top-seeded Yellow Jackets broke open a close 9-7 contest with eight runs in the eighth inning to advance to the winner's bracket finals. Waynesburg led 5-0 after four innings and 9-4 and six, but Bethany scored three times in the seventh to close within two before the Jackets' big inning. Junior **Eric Holt (Washington, PA/Trinity H.S.)** allowed seven runs in seven innings with five strikeouts to earn the pitching win, while helping his own case with a solo home run. The Waynesburg offense, which pounded out 18 hits in the victory, was paced by freshman 2B **Brian Gerginski (Wexford, PA/North Allegheny H.S.)**, who was 5-for-6 with two doubles, two runs scored and four RBIs. Senior OF Jason Tremblay (Crafton, PA/Carlynton H.S.) added a 3-for-4 performance with four runs scored and four RBIs. Freshman **Adam Martin (Leetsdale, PA/Quaker Valley H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss for the Bison after allowing nine runs (five earned) on 10 hits in 5 1/3 innings, while junior OF **Matt Raiti (Sharon, PA/Sharon H.S.)** was 2-for-4 with two runs scored for Bethany.

*Game #2 - Waynesburg, PA - April 24, 2003 - 3 p.m.*

#### **#3 Thiel 10, #2 Westminster 4**

The Tomcats also broke open a close game late, scoring six times in the eighth inning to take control and advance to the winner's bracket finals against top-seeded Waynesburg. Thiel scored twice in the second and two more in the fourth for a 4-0 lead, but Westminster rallied with two in the fifth and one in the seventh to cut the lead to 4-3 before the Tomcats' big inning. Junior **Jarred Floch (Jamestown, PA/Jamestown H.S.)** earned the pitching win for Thiel, allowing three runs on nine hits with four walks and seven strikeouts. Offensively, senior OFs **Jim Chester (McKeesport, PA/Serra H.S.)** and **Frankie Muir (Pittsburgh, PA/Alderdice H.S.)** each blasted home runs for the victory, with Chester going a perfect 3-for-3 with three runs scored and four RBIs. Senior **Kevin Culp (Canfield, OH/Canfield H.S.)** gave up four runs in 6 1/3 innings to take

the loss for Westminster, while junior 2B **Brian Goettler (North Versailles, PA/East Allegheny H.S.)** homered in the defeat.

*Game #3 - Waynesburg, PA - April 25, 2003 - 10 a.m.*

#### **Thiel 6, Waynesburg 4**

A grand-slam home run by freshman 3B **Bob Flukas (Pittsburgh, PA/Chartiers Valley H.S.)** in the bottom of the eighth allowed Thiel to overcome a 4-2 deficit and advance to the championship game with a two-run win over the top-seeded Yellow Jackets. The game was tied 2-2 after two innings, but Waynesburg posted single runs in the fourth and seventh innings to take a 4-2 advantage before Flukas' game-winning heroics. Sophomore **Mark McElravy (Karns City, PA/Karns City H.S.)** went the distance for the Tomcats, allowing four runs (two earned) on 10 hits with four strikeouts to earn the win. Senior DH **Jim Chester (McKeesport, PA/Serra H.S.)** went 3-for-4 at the plate for Thiel, while senior 1B **Randy Chiquelin (Kingston, TN/Hamburg (NY) H.S.)** and Flukas each were 2-for-4. Senior **George Taylor (Washington, PA/Chartiers-Houston H.S.)** took the pitching loss for the Yellow Jackets, giving up six runs (five earned) on nine hits with five strikeouts. At the plate, Waynesburg was paced by three players who each went 2-for-4: senior OF **Eric Holt (Washington, PA/Trinity H.S.)**, junior 1B **Matt Cross (Follansbee, WV/Brooke H.S.)** and senior SS **Brad Baker (Finksburg, MD/Westminster H.S.)**.

*Game #4 - Waynesburg, PA - April 25, 2003 - 1 p.m.*

#### **Westminster 13, Bethany 4**

Bethany became the first team eliminated from the tournament, as Westminster overcame a 2-0 first inning deficit with two runs in the fourth and six more in the fifth to take an 8-2 lead it would not relinquish. Titan senior **Matt Pournaras (Ambridge/Ambridge H.S.)** went the distance on the hill, earning the win after giving up four runs (three earned) on 14 hits with four strikeouts. At the plate, Westminster senior 3B **Kevin Humberston (North Versailles, PA/East Allegheny H.S.)** was a perfect 5-for-5 with a double, a home run, four runs scored and four RBIs. Senior SS **B.G. Davison (Baden, PA/Ambridge H.S.)** was 3-for-4 with two runs scored, while junior C **Ben Yeckel (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler H.S.)** went 2-for-4 with a homer

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and three RBIs. Junior **Todd Welsh (West Mifflin, PA/West Mifflin H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss for the Bison after giving up seven earned runs on 14 hits in 7 1/3 innings. Offensively, both junior OF **Matt Raiti (Sharon, PA/Sharon H.S.)** and sophomore 1B **D.J. Hynes (St. Clairsville, OH/St. Clairsville H.S.)** went 3-for-4 at the plate for Bethany in the loss.

*Game #5 - Waynesburg, PA - April 25, 2003 - 4 p.m.*

### **Waynesburg 11, Westminster 4**

The Yellow Jackets raced to an 8-0 lead in the seventh, then held off a Titan rally to eliminate Westminster from the tournament and set up a matchup with Thiel for the PAC Championship. Westminster halved the lead to 8-4 in the bottom of the seventh and loaded the bases, but Waynesburg recorded a key strikeout to end the threat. The Yellow Jackets then added three insurance tallies in the ninth. Freshman **Justin Schrader (Washington, PA/Trinity H.S.)** was the pitching victor, allowing four runs on seven hits with three strikeouts in 6 2/3 innings. Junior **Dan Coghlan (Herndon, VA/Herndon H.S.)** pitched shutout ball over the final 2 1/3 to earn the save. Senior OF **Eric Holt (Washington, PA/Trinity H.S.)** led the Waynesburg offense by going 3-for-5 with a homer and three runs scored, while senior OF **Kevin Krescanko (West Mifflin, PA/West Mifflin H.S.)** went 1-for-3 with a double and three RBIs. Junior **Pat Boyle (Ellwood City, PA/Lincoln H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss for Westminster after allowing five earned runs on eight hits in 6 2/3 innings. Junior OF **Niels Jorgensen (Volant, PA/Wilmington H.S.)** paced the Titan offense by going 2-for-4 with a double and two RBIs.

*Game #6 - Waynesburg, PA - April 26, 2003 - noon*

### **PAC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

#### **Thiel 12, Waynesburg 7**

The Tomcats completed a clean sweep of the PAC Tournament, as Thiel pounded out 18 hits to overcome an early 2-0 deficit. Seven different Tomcats collected two or more hits in the conference-clinching victory, led by senior 1B **Randy Chiquelin (Kingston, TN/Hamburg (NY) H.S.)** who was 3-for-5 with a home runs, two runs scored and two RBIs. Senior OF **Frankie Muir (Pittsburgh, PA/Allderdice H.S.)** and freshman OF **Brett Bell (Kinsman, OH/Badger H.S.)** also went 3-for-5 in the win, with Muir driving in three runs and Bell scoring three times. Earning the pitching win for Thiel was freshman **Rich McNeal (East Palestine, OH/East Palestine H.S.)**, who allowed five runs on seven hits with two strikeouts in 5 2/3 innings. Sophomore **Keith Jackson (Salem, OH/Salem H.S.)** closed the game, allowing two runs while striking out two in the final 2 1/3 innings. Junior **Matt Cross (Follansbee, WV/Brooke H.S.)** took the loss for the Yellow Jackets. Senior 3B **Steve Mahler (Pittsburgh, PA/Central Catholic H.S.)** was a perfect 3-for-3 with two runs scored in the loss, while senior 1B **Jason Tremblay (Crafton, PA/Carlynton H.S.)** also collected three hits for Waynesburg.

### **#5-#6 Playoff Series (best 2-of-3 wins)**

*Friday, April 25 (at Washington, Pa.)*

#### **#5 Grove City 16, #6 Washington & Jefferson 5**

The Wolverines scored four runs in the third, fourth and fifth innings, rolling to a 13-5 lead after five, then added three insurance tallies in the seventh. Junior **Chris Hull (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls H.S.)** earned the pitching win for Grove City after allowing five runs (four earned) on 11 hits with four strikeouts in five innings, while freshman **Eric Arnesen (Princeton, NJ/Timothy Christian H.S.)** and junior **Greg Grupp (Harmony, PA/Slippery Rock H.S.)** combined to pitch four innings of scoreless relief. Grupp was 2-for-4 at the plate with a double, two runs scored and four RBIs, while freshman OF **Jerry Ott (Bridgeville, PA/South Fayette H.S.)** was 2-for-4 with four runs scored. Sophomore **Nate Roberts (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss for the Presidents, while the W&J offense was paced by freshmen **Curt Kiebler (Apollo, PA/Kiski Area H.S.)** and **Adam Coco (Saxonburg, PA/Knoch H.S.)**, who each went 2-for-3.

*Saturday, April 26 (at Grove City, Pa.)*

#### **Grove City 3-27, Washington & Jefferson 1-5**

Grove City clinched fifth place in the PAC by sweeping Washington & Jefferson. In the opener, W&J took a 1-0 lead in the third, but the Wolverines rallied to tie the score 1-1 in the fifth, then go ahead for good with two in the sixth. Freshman Ryan Carr (New Castle, PA/Mohawk H.S.) earned the GCC pitching win, allowing one run (none earned) on six hits with seven strikeouts. Sophomore C **A.J. Stedford (Beaver, PA/Beaver H.S.)** had an RBI triple in the win. W&J freshman Ross Kelchner (Murrysville, PA/Franklin Regional H.S.) took the loss despite giving up just three runs (two earned) on six hits with six strikeouts. Sophomore C Frank Pilato (Macedonia, OH/Nordonia H.S.) had the lone RBI for the Presidents.

Game two saw Grove City score 12 in the second inning to break the game open early. GCC pounded out 26 hits in the win, with junior DH **Greg Grupp (Harmony, PA/Slippery Rock H.S.)** leading the way by going 4-for-6 with a home run, a double, three runs scored and five RBIs. Junior **Sean O'Donnell (Brackenridge, PA/St. Joseph H.S.)** earned the pitching win after allowing one run on two hits with three strikeouts in four frames.



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## PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2003 All-PAC Baseball Teams

### FIRST TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	Cl.	Hometown/High School
C	Bill Tenney	Waynesburg	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Taylor Allderdice
1B	Randy Chiquelin	Thiel	Sr.	Kingston, TN/Hamburg (N.Y.)
2B	Brian Goettler	Westminster	Jr.	North Versailles, PA/East Allegheny
3B	Kevin Humberston	Westminster	Sr.	North Versailles, PA/East Allegheny
SS	B.G. Davison	Westminster	Sr.	Baden, PA/Ambridge
SS	Caleb Goist	Thiel	Jr.	Columbiana, OH/Columbiana
OF/P	Eric Holt	Waynesburg	Jr.	Washington, PA/Trinity
OF	Scott Johnson	Bethany	Sr.	Olathe, KS/Olathe South
OF	Matt Raiti	Bethany	Jr.	Sharon, PA/Sharon
OF	B.J. Swartzlander	Washington & Jefferson	Sr.	Leechburg, PA/Kiski Area
OF/P	George Taylor	Waynesburg	Sr.	Washington, PA/Chartiers-Houston
DH	Jim Chester	Thiel	Sr.	McKeesport, PA/Serra Catholic
DH	Jason Tremblay	Waynesburg	Sr.	Crafton, PA/Carlynton
P	Pat Boyle	Westminster	Jr.	Ellwood City, PA/Lincoln
P	Jarred Floch	Thiel	Jr.	Jamestown, PA/Jamestown

### SECOND TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	Cl.	Hometown/High School
C	Kinsey Henderson	Thiel	Fr.	East Liverpool, OH/East Liverpool
C	Ben Yeckel	Westminster	Jr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler
1B	Todd Welsh	Bethany	Jr.	West Mifflin, PA/West Mifflin
2B	Jake Cuthbert	Grove City	Jr.	Belle Vernon, PA/Belle Vernon
2B	Jon Spencer	Thiel	So.	Greenville, PA/Reynolds
3B	Jonathan Mycyk	Grove City	So.	Pittsburgh, PA/Shadyside Academy
SS	Mike Ritter	Grove City	Fr.	Moon Township, PA/Moon Area
UTL	Kevin Culp	Westminster	Sr.	Canfield, OH/Canfield H.S.
OF	Brett Bell	Thiel	Fr.	Kinsman, OH/Badger
OF	Jason DeMeo	Grove City	Fr.	Washington, PA/Trinity
OF	Michael McMillen	Grove City	So.	Pittsburgh, PA/North Allegheny
DH	Greg Grupp	Grove City	Jr.	Harmony, PA/Slippery Rock
P	Adam Martin	Bethany	Fr.	Leetsdale, PA/Quaker Valley
P	Mark McElravy	Thiel	So.	Karns City, PA/Karns City
P	Sean O'Donnell	Grove City	Jr.	Brackenridge, PA/St. Joseph
P	Matt Pournaras	Westminster	Sr.	Ambridge, PA/Ambridge

**2003 PAC PLAYER OF THE YEAR:** Eric Holt, Jr., OF/P, Waynesburg

**2003 PAC COACH OF THE YEAR:** Joe Schaly, Thiel

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